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In support of Bill 5283

Thank you for the opportunity to share my support for Bill #5283 which secures equal funding for agriculture education. I live in Broad Brook but went to Rockville for the Agriculture FFA program during high school. I graduated from the program in 2019 and am grateful for all the great experiences and opportunities it gave me. I feel strongly that agriculture education is important to support because it is the backbone of society. Agriculture Education programs not only teach kids about agriculture but how to be leaders. There is a lot of value that comes from programs like these not only the kids but the community as well. For too long agriculture education has not received the support it so readily deserves. Equal access through funding will allow ag centers to focus their efforts more on their students and best serving their CT community.

Thank you for your time,

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